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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136**

The applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office action dated January 24, 2002, for one months from April 24, 2002 to May 24, 2002. Please charge the deposit account number 13-3860 of applicant's agent of record, in the amount of US\$ 55.00 (fee code 215) to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2002, Applicant submits the following Amendment for entry in the above-identified patent application:

**In the Claims**

The Examiner is kindly requested to replace original claim 1 with the following amended claim 1.